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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
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re: EB Docket No. 06-36

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please find enclosed an original and five (5) copies of the CPNI Compliance Certificate and the Accompanying Statement requirements for North-State Telephone Company, TRS #803193.

Please return a stamped copy in the enclosed SASE. If there are any questions, I may be reached on 503-612-4400.

Sincerely,

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Annual 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification for 2007

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Name of signatory: Delinda Kluser

Title of signatory: Vice-President, Finance / Manager

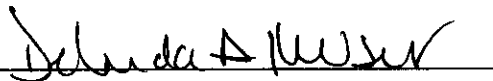
I, Delinda Kluser certify that I am an officer of the company named above, and acting as an agent of the company, that I have personal knowledge that the company has established operating procedures that are adequate to ensure compliance with the Commission's CPNI rules. See 47 C.F.R. § 64.2001 *et seq.*

Attached to this certification is an accompanying statement explaining how the company's procedures ensure that the company is in compliance with the requirements set forth in section 64.2001 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules.

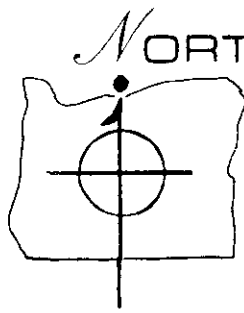
The company has not taken any action against data brokers in the past year. To the best of our knowledge, no pretexters have attempted to access CPNI at our company.

The company has not received any customer complaints in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI.

Signed



Delinda Kluser



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**Reference: EB Docket No. 06-36; Annual CPNI Certification Filing of North-State Telephone Company**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed is the 2007 CPNI Certification filing of North-State Telephone Company (NSTC) (TRS # 803193) in response to the Commission's April 2, 2007 order in CC Docket No. 96-115 and WC Docket No. 04-36. This certification is required by section 64.2009(e) of the Commission's rules.

During the year 2007, NSTC did not detect any data broker activity regarding the CPNI of any customer of NSTC. As a result, NSTC did not undertake any legal or regulatory actions against data brokers.

The enclosed Procedures and Policies manual of NSTC provides guidance to the employees of NSTC for protecting the confidentiality of CPNI. This manual also includes the disciplinary procedures applicable to the improper disclosure of CPNI, the processes used to ensure that the opt-out elections are recorded and followed and other measures relevant to demonstrating compliance with the CPNI rules. All employees of NSTC, who have access to CPNI, were provided training in the use of the manual during 2007. NSTC takes very seriously its responsibilities in protecting the CPNI of its customers.

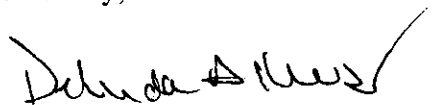
NSTC does not have any new information to report to the Commission regarding the processes that pretexters use to attempt to access the CPNI of customers.

There were no customer complaints concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI recorded for the year 2007.

There were no security issues or customer complaints at NSTC that would be cause for providing a redacted version of this filing.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Delinda Kluser", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Delinda Kluser  
Vice-President, Finance / Manger

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# CPNI POLICIES & PROCEDURES MANUAL

Approved by:

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Effective: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Definitions

This North-State Telephone Company (hereinafter NSTC) CPNI policy manual relies on the following definitions:

- (1) **Account information.** “Account information” is information that is specifically connected to the customer’s service relationship with NSTC, including such things as an account number or any component thereof, the telephone number associated with the account, or the bill’s amount.
- (2) **Address of record.** An “address of record,” whether postal or electronic, is an address that the carrier has associated with the customer’s account for at least 30 days.
- (3) **Affiliate.** The term “affiliate” means a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another to own an equity interest (or the equivalent thereof) of more than 10 percent.
- (4) **Breach.** When a person, without authorization or exceeding authorization, has intentionally gained access to, used, or disclosed CPNI.
- (5) **Call detail information.** Any information that pertains to the transmission of specific telephone calls, including, for outbound calls, the number called, and the time, location, or duration of any call and, for inbound calls, the number from which the call was placed, and the time, location, or duration of any call.
- (6) **Communications-related services.** The term “communications-related services” means telecommunication services, information services typically provided by NSTC and services related to the provision or maintenance of customer premises equipment.
- (7) **Customer.** A customer of NSTC is a person or entity to which NSTC is currently providing service.
- (8) **Customer premises equipment (CPE).** The term “customer premises equipment (CPE)” means equipment employed on the premises of a person (other than a carrier) to originate, route, or terminate telecommunications.
- (9) **Customer Proprietary Network Information.** The term “customer proprietary network information” means –
  - (A) information that relates to the quantity, technical configuration, type, destination, and amount of use of a telecommunications service subscribed to by any customer of NSTC, and that is made available to NSTC solely by virtue of the NSTC-customer relationship; and
  - (B) information contained in the bill pertaining to telephone exchange service or telephone toll service received by a customer of NSTC; except that such term does not include subscriber list information.
- (10) **Data broker.** A person or business that offers for sale CPNI obtained by pretexting.

- (11) **Data bureau.** A company that provides information technology services to telecommunications carriers, specifically billing services and customer record detail. Data Bureaus typically have access to call detail CPNI (see Independent Contractor).
- (12) **FCC.** The acronym “FCC” refers to the Federal Communications Commission.
- (13) **Independent contractor.** Any person or business that may provide services to telecommunications carriers. This includes, but is not limited to; joint venture partners and independent contractors for the purposes of marketing communications-related services to a customer; billing services; customer record detail; central office equipment vendors; engineering; and construction. Independent contractors typically have access to call detail and/or non-call detail CPNI.
- (14) **Information services typically provided by NSTC.** The phrase “information services typically provided by NSTC” means only those information services that are typically provided by NSTC, such as Internet access or voice mail services. Such phrase “information services typically provided by NSTC,” as used in this manual, shall not include retail consumer services provided using Internet website (such as travel reservation services or mortgage lending services), whether or not such services may other wise be considered to be information services.
- (15) **Joint venture partners** (short term alliances of telecommunications carriers) **and independent contractors** (see independent contractors) **for the purposes of marketing communications-related services to a customer.** A specific subset of persons or businesses that provide marketing services to telecommunications carriers. Any marketing use of CPNI by this subset must have opt-in approval by the affected customers.
- (16) **Local exchange carrier (LEC).** The term “local exchange carrier (LEC)” means any person that is engaged in the provision of telephone exchange service or exchange access. Such term does not include a person insofar as such person is engaged in the provision of a commercial mobile service under section 332(c) of TA-96, except to the extent that the Commission finds that such service should be included in the definition of such term.
- (17) **Opt-in approval.** The term “opt-in approval” refers to a method for obtaining customer consent to use, disclose, or permit access to the customer’s CPNI. This approval method requires that NSTC obtain from the customer affirmative, express consent allowing the requested CPNI usage, disclosure, or access after the customer is provided appropriate notification of the NSTC’s request consistent with the requirements.
- (18) **Opt-out approval.** The term “opt-out approval” refers to a method for obtaining customer consent to use, disclose, or permit access to the customer’s CPNI. Under this approval method, a customer is deemed to have consented to the use, disclosure, or access to the customer’s CPNI if the customer has failed to object thereto within the waiting period described after the customer is provided appropriate notification of NSTC’s request for opt-out consent consistent with the rules.



- (19) **Password.** The term “password” means a secret word or sequence of alpha and numeric characters which is used to limit access to a customer’s account to authorized individuals.
- (20) **Pretexting.** The term “pretexting” means the practice of pretending to be a particular customer or other authorized person in order to obtain access to that customer’s call detail or other private communications records.
- (21) **Readily available biographical information.** “Readily available biographical information” is information drawn from the customer’s life history and includes such things as the customer’s social security number, or the last four digits of that number; mother’s maiden name; home address; or date of birth.
- (22) **Subscriber list information (SLI).** The term “subscriber list information” means any information –
  - (A) identifying the listed names of subscribers of NSTC and such subscribers’ telephone numbers, addresses, or primary advertising classifications (as such classifications are assigned at the time of the establishment of such service), or any combination of such listed names, numbers, addresses, or classifications; and
  - (B) NSTC or an affiliate has published, caused to be published, or accepted for publication in any directory format.
- (23) **NSTC or carrier.** The terms “North-State Telephone Company,” “NSTC,” or “carrier” shall have the same meaning.
- (24) **Telecommunications service.** The term “telecommunications service” means the offering of telecommunications for a fee directly to the public, or to such classes of users as to be effectively available directly to the public, regardless of the facilities used.
- (25) **Telephone number of record.** The telephone number associated with the underlying service, not the telephone number supplied as a customer’s “contact information.”
- (26) **Valid photo identification.** The term “valid photo identification” means an official identification document issued by a federal or state governmental agency that identifies the holder of the document that includes a photograph of sufficient clarity to positively identify the holder of the document.

## **Company Policy Regarding CPNI**

NSTC may use, disclose, or permit access to CPNI for the purpose of providing or marketing service offerings among the categories of service (i.e. local, long distance, and CMRS (wireless)) to which the customer already subscribes from NSTC, without customer approval.

NSTC may, subject to either opt-out approval or opt-in approval, use its customer's individually identifiable CPNI for the purpose of marketing communications-related services to that customer. NSTC may, subject to either opt-out approval or opt-in approval, disclose its customer's individually identifiable CPNI to its agents and its affiliates that provide communications-related services for the purpose of marketing communications-related services to that customer. NSTC may also permit such persons or entities to obtain access to such CPNI for such purposes.

Except for use and disclosure of CPNI that is permitted without customer approval or for marketing as described above, NSTC may only use, disclose, or permit access to its customer's individually identifiable CPNI subject to opt-in approval. Accordingly, NSTC's personnel are trained in the appropriate use of CPNI for such purposes.

NSTC will notify (Form 10) the FCC in writing within five days of any instance when its opt-out policies did not work properly, to such a degree that the customer's inability to opt-out is more than an anomaly.

In this effort, the Company must follow all applicable FCC rules as contained in Subpart U – Customer Proprietary Network Information – of Part 64 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Specific NSTC procedures are as follows:

### **ACCESS TO CPNI DATA**

Access to CPNI data is limited to employees or entities with the requisite proper authorization as allowed by FCC rules. Only Oregon Telephone Corporation (an affiliate of NSTC) Customer Service Representatives, the Outside Plant Technician, and the General Manager have access to call detail CPNI. All employees have access to some level of non call detail CPNI. Any employees or entities with CPNI access must operate under policies that require nondisclosure of confidential information. Improper use or disclosure of CPNI is subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination.

## **Marketing Programs**

NSTC may use CPNI to target its marketing campaigns. NSTC reserves the right to use either opt-out or opt-in (Form 8-W) approval in determining its target customers.

Contact the General Manager if you are uncertain as to the type of information you can use in marketing services to customers.

### **CUSTOMER NOTICE AT INITIATION OF SERVICE**

Customers are informed during the initiation of service with NSTC that their CPNI data may be used for marketing purposes. Customers receive annual reminders (Form 8-W) of this CPNI policy.

### **CUSTOMER NOTICE**

Adequate notice with respect to customer CPNI rights and NSTC's duty to protect CPNI is provided in NSTC's telephone directory. In addition, a CPNI notice is printed periodically on the customer's billing statement.

### **RECORD OF CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS CONCERNING THE UNAUTHORIZED RELEASE OF CPNI**

All customer complaints concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI will be logged (Form 9) and retained for a period of five years. This information is summarized and included with NSTC's annual certification to the FCC.

### **Release of Call Detail Information** (Forms 7-W & 8-W)

### **CUSTOMER INITIATED TELEPHONE ACCOUNT ACCESS**

NSTC will not release any CPNI, including non call detail CPNI, requested by the customer via a customer originated telephone call except when:

- ☐ the requesting individual provides the password of record; or
- ☐ the requesting individual provides the correct answer to the back up means of authentication question; or
- ☐ the information will be sent via mail USPS to the customer's address of record; or
- ☐ NSTC will call the telephone number of record and disclose the call detail information.

If the customer has forgotten their password, does not have a password established, or can not provide the correct answer to the back up means of authentication, NSTC will mail the requested information to the address of record or will call the telephone number of record to discuss the CPNI.

### **RETAIL LOCATION ACCOUNT ACCESS**

Customers or their authorized contacts as allowed by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 – Section 222(c)(2) must have a valid, government issued photo identification, such as a driver's license, passport, or comparable ID to obtain CPNI information.

### **ON-LINE ACCOUNT ACCESS**

NSTC requires an on-line password to protect on-line access to CPNI. Passwords will be designed by the customer and will consist of alpha and numeric characters. On-line passwords

are not required if the customer chooses to receive call detail information via either of the two methods above.

NSTC will authenticate both new and existing customers seeking on-line access to their CPNI.

NSTC can reinitialize existing passwords for on-line access but will NOT base on-line access on readily available biographical or account information. This procedure will relate to all customer information, not just call detail.

On-line access to CPNI will be blocked after five (5) unsuccessful attempts to log on.

#### **NOTIFICATION OF ACCOUNT CHANGES**

NSTC will notify (Form 5) any customer immediately of any account changes including password, customer response to company designed back-up means of authentication, on-line account, address of record, and any other record that may be created or changed. This notification will be through a voicemail or by USPS mail to the address of record as it was prior to the change.

New customers are exempt from this notification at service initiation.

#### **PROCEDURES TO PROTECT AGAINST PRETEXTING**

Pretexting is the practice of pretending to be a particular customer or other authorized person in order to obtain access to that customer's call detail or other private communications record. The Company has employed the above procedures and safeguards in order to achieve reasonable measures designed to discover and protect against pretexting.

### **Annual Certification**

NSTC will certify annually (Form 2) compliance to the CPNI rules. This certification will be filed with the FCC and will be made publicly available by request.

NSTC's annual certification will be signed by an officer as an agent of NSTC, stating that he/she has personal knowledge the company has established operating procedures that are adequate to comply with the FCC CPNI rules.

In addition to the annual certification, NSTC will provide an accompanying statement explaining how the company's procedures ensure the company is or is not in compliance with the FCC's CPNI rules. In the explanation, NSTC will include:

- ☐ the training employees receive to protect CPNI.
- ☐ the disciplinary process applicable to improper disclosure of CPNI.
- ☐ *[Optional, depending on marketing - the process used to ensure all requests to opt-in or opt-out are recorded, and follow-up methods used.]*
- ☐ other measures relevant to demonstrate compliance with the FCC's CPNI rules.

## Notice of Unauthorized Disclosure of CPNI

NSTC is required by FCC rules to notify law enforcement of any CPNI breaches no later than seven (7) days after a reasonable determination that a breach has occurred. NSTC will send an electronic notification through the central reporting facility to the United States Secret Service (USSS) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). This notification will include a description of the CPNI that was disclosed, how the breach was discovered, an analysis of the sensitivity of the breached CPNI, and any corrective measures taken to prevent recurrence of such breach.

Responsibility to notify USSS and FBI has been assigned to the General Manager.

### **NOTIFICATION OF CPNI SECURITY BREACHES**

- (1) *Notification of law enforcement agencies* (Form 3). NSTC will notify law enforcement of a breach of its customers' CPNI as stated in this section of NSTC's CPNI manual. NSTC will not notify any of its customers or disclose the breach publicly, whether voluntarily or under state or local law or FCC rules, until it has completed the process of notifying law enforcement as required and spelled out below.
- (2) *Limitations*. As soon as practicable, but in no event later than seven (7) business day, after reasonable determination of the breach, NSTC shall electronically notify the **United States Secret Service (USSS) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)** through a central reporting facility. This will be done through the FCC's link to the reporting facility at <http://www.fcc.gov/eb/cpni>.
  - a) Notwithstanding any state law to the contrary, NSTC shall not notify customers or disclose the breach to the public until 7 full business days have passed after notification to the USSS and the FBI except as in the following two parts of this section.
  - b) If NSTC believes that there is an extraordinarily urgent need to notify any class of affected customers sooner than otherwise allowed under the above paragraph of this section, in order to avoid immediate and irreparable harm, it shall so indicate in its notification and may proceed to immediately notify its affected customers only after consultation with the relevant investigating agency. NSTC shall cooperate with the relevant investigating agency's request to minimize any adverse effects of such customer notification.
  - c) If the relevant investigating agency determines that public disclosure or notice to customers would impede or compromise an ongoing or potential criminal investigation or national security, such agency may direct NSTC not to disclose or notify for an initial period of up to 30 days. Such period may be extended by the agency as reasonably necessary in the judgment of the agency. If such direction is given, the agency shall notify NSTC when it appears the public disclosure or notice to affected customers will no longer impede or compromise a criminal investigation or national security. The agency shall provide in writing its initial direction to NSTC, any subsequent extension, and any notification that notice will no longer impede or compromise a criminal investigation or national security and such writing

shall be contemporaneously logged on the same reporting facility that contains records of notifications filed by carriers.

- (3) *Customer Notification* (Form 4). After NSTC has completed the process of notifying law enforcement as listed above, it shall notify its customers of a breach of those customers' CPNI.
- (4) *Recordkeeping*. NSTC will maintain a record, electronically or in some other manner, of any breaches discovered, notifications made to the USSS and the FBI as defined in the above section of this manual, and all notifications made to customers. This record must include, if available:
  - a) Dates of discovery and notification.
  - b) A detailed description of the CPNI that was the subject of the breach.
  - c) The circumstances of the breach.
  - d) NSTC will retain the record for a minimum of 2 years.
- (5) *Supersede*. This section does not supersede any statute, regulation, order, or interpretation in any State, except to the extent that such statute, regulation, order, or interpretation is inconsistent with the provisions of this section, and then only to the extent of the inconsistency.

# **SAFEGUARDS BY NSTC**

## **CUSTOMER RECORDS**

Customer service records will clearly establish customer CPNI approval. Record of this approval will be kept for a minimum of one year. The record is designed by NSTC's service bureau, Mid-America Computer Corporation (MACC).

All personnel of NSTC will be trained annually or upon commencement of employment regarding CPNI policies. These policies include when the employee is authorized to use and when they are NOT authorized to use CPNI. Any infractions of NSTC's CPNI policies will be reported to the General Manager and a record will be made of the infraction(s) and the disciplinary steps taken.

The NSTC disciplinary policy for infractions of these CPNI policies is:

- 1) a letter of reprimand to the employee's file for an initial infraction, and
- 2) termination in the case of a second infraction within a twelve month period.

## **INTERFACE WITH CALEA COMPLIANCE**

In order to comply with certain Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) rules, NSTC has engaged the services of a trusted third party provider. This third party provider is involved in the event of a request for certain types of surveillance activities by Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs).

NSTC has added the following addendum to its third party provider CALEA contract with NeuStar:

"Whereas NSTC is required by law and its company policies to protect the privacy and security of the information regarding its customers,

To the extent that NeuStar, in rendering services for NSTC receives customer proprietary network information, as that term is defined under 47 U.S.C. Section 222 and interpreted by the FCC ("CPNI"), NeuStar shall maintain the confidentiality of such CPNI according to the policies and procedures implemented by NSTC. NeuStar shall promptly delete from its records any CPNI that is received by NeuStar which is not delivered to an LEA pursuant to a lawfully authorized intercept request."

## **INTERFACE WITH CONTRACTORS**

NSTC has occasion to utilize contractors for specific projects needed to conduct its business. NSTC requires all its contractors to include the following language in all agreements with NSTC:

"Whereas NSTC is required by law and its company policies to protect the privacy and security of the information regarding its customers,

To the extent that [Name of Contractor], in rendering services for NSTC receives customer proprietary network information, as that term is defined under 47 U.S.C. Section 222 and interpreted by the FCC ("CPNI"), [Name of Contractor] shall maintain the confidentiality of such CPNI according to the policies and procedures implemented by NSTC. [Name of Contractor] shall promptly delete from its records any CPNI that is received by [Name of Contractor] that is not categorically essential in its engagement with NSTC."



# **TRAINING OF EMPLOYEES**

## **EMPLOYEE TRAINING**

The company provides training to employees on the proper use and disclosure of CPNI.

Included as a part of the employee training is the instruction to employees that the customer is provided the opportunity to restrict company or affiliate use of CPNI data. The customer decision regarding NSTC use of CPNI use will not affect NSTC's provision of any current customer services.

NSTC specific CPNI training will be provided annually and with each newly hired employee. Documentation of training will be kept on file for a period of at least five years.

## **ANNUAL REVIEW BY COMPANY MANAGEMENT**

NSTC treats customer privacy as a serious issue. NSTC is proud of its long history of reliable, trustworthy service and is vigilant in the steps that will be taken to ensure customer privacy. Accordingly, NSTC policy requires this CPNI Policy Manual to be reviewed on an annual basis. This review is conducted at a time set by the General Manager each calendar year.

The General Manager's annual review will include, but may not be limited to a review with GVNW Consulting, Inc. and a review with the Board of Directors.